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BOROUGH OF RAMSGATE

ANNUAL REPORT 1970 - PORT HEALTH ADMINISTRATION

SECTION I - STAFF

Name of Officer	Nature of Appointment	Qualifications
BOYD, S.A.	Medical Officer of Health and Port Medical Officer. Date of appointment 25th September, 1966.	M.D. (Vienna) D.P.H.
Address:	Public Health Department, Municipal Buildings, Ramsgate.	Telephone.- Thanet 53311.

SECTION II - AMOUNT OF SHIPPING ENTERING DISTRICT DURING THE YEAR

Ships from	Number	Tonnage	No. inspected by MOH.	By PHI	No. reported as having or having had during voyage, infectious disease on board
Foreign ports	304	105,134	-	17	-
Coastwise	76	Not known.	-	3	-
TOTAL	440	105,134	-	20	-

SECTION III - CHARACTER OF SHIPPING AND TRADE

Passenger traffic: Number of passengers inwards 121

Number of passengers outwards 49

Cargo traffic: Principal Imports - Motor cars, timber, wheat.

Principal Exports - Motor vehicles and spares.

Principal ports from which ships arrive:

Passenger traffic - Yachts from Calais.
Motor cars - Edden and Antwerp

SECTION IV - INLAND BARGE TRAFFIC

NONE.

SECTION V - WATER SUPPLY

(1) Source of Supply

(a) For district

Rain falling on an agricultural and sparsely populated area. Filtration through soil, sand and fissures in chalk and adits, thence to deep wells.

(b) For shipping

Water for shipping is obtained from the town mains.

(2) Reports of tests for contamination

Four samples are obtained by the Public Health Department each month, two from the adits of untreated water, and two from the mains of treated water, and these are submitted to the Public Health Laboratory for bacteriological examination. In addition, one sample is submitted each quarter to the Public Analyst for chemical analysis.

All results showed that there was no evidence of sewage contamination. The supply is pure and wholesome.

(3) Precautions taken against contamination of hydrants and hosepipes

Hoses used for shipping are stored in a closed barrow and flushed before use.

(4) Water Boats

None in use.

SECTION VI. PUBLIC HEALTH (SHIPS) REGULATIONS

(1) List of infected areas

Close liaison is maintained between H.M. Customs and the Public Health Department, and information would be given should the Customs Officer have reason to believe that a ship was arriving from a foreign port named in the weekly list.

(2) Radio Messages

The port has not been declared a Radio Transmitting Port Under Regulation 12.

(3) Notifications other than by Radio.

Notification is first received by H.m. Customs Officer, who in turn immediately forwards the information to the Medical Officer of Health. All Declarations of Health are dealt with in this manner.

(4) Mooring Stations.

Proposals submitted by H.M. Customs and Harbour Authorities in 1935 are still in force, and are as follows:-

(a) Mooring Station within docks - the place of mooring, discharge of loading, the ship being shored off from the quay and so moored as to prevent contact with any other ship.

(b) Mooring Station outside docks - the outer middle ground buoy in the outer basin of the harbour in bad weather. In good weather, the Ramsgate Roads.

(5) Arrangements for -

(a) Hospital accommodation

Cases of infectious disease, other than Smallpox, accommodated at Haine Hospital, Ramsgate, under control of Isle of Thanet Hospital Management Committee

(b) Surveillance and follow-up of contacts

Contacts proceeding out of the area - would be advised to report to the Medical Officer of Health of the District of their destination, and confirmation sent by this Department.

(c) The services of the Public Health Department would be available, and all clothing etc. dealt with.

SECTION vII - SMALLPOX

(1) The Name of Isolation Hospital

The Long Reach Hospital, Dartford.

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(2) Transport

By Kent County Council Ambulance Service.

(3) Consultants

(1) Dr. J. C. Blake, 38 Stambourne Way,
West Wickham, Kent.

(2) Dr. E.H. Brown, Hither Green Hospital,
Hither Green, London, S.E.13.

(3) Dr. E. O'Sullivan, "Ashton",
Church Road, Hartley, Dartford, Kent.

(4) Dr. C.F.L. Hill, Brook General Hospital,
Shooters Hill Road, London, S.E.18.

(4) Laboratory Diagnosis

Central Public Health Laboratories, Colindale, N.W.9.

SECTION VIII - VENEREAL DISEASE

No international arrangements are in operation. Posters setting out location and time of the V.D. Clinic held at Royal Sea Bathing Hospital, Margate are displayed in public conveniences.

the day and times of clinics are :-

Fridays: Females 10 - 11 a.m.
Males 11 - 12 noon.

SECTION IX - CASES OF NOTIFIABLE AND OTHER INFECTIOUS DISEASES ON SHIPS

NIL.

SECTION X - OBSERVATIONS ON OCCURRENCES OF MALARIA

NONE.

SECTION XI - MEASURES AGAINST PLAGUE

NONE.

SECTION XII - MEASURES AGAINST RODENTS IN SHIPS FROM FOREIGN PORTS

(1) Procedure for inspection

All ships from foreign ports are normally inspected by the Public Health Inspector. The services of the Rodent Operator are available if required.

(2) Arrangements for bacteriological examination

It has not been found necessary to make special arrangements.

(3) De-ratting) The port is not a designated approved port
Rat proofing.) nor an approved port.
Table E.)
Table F.)

SECTION XIII - INSPECTION OF SHIPS FOR NUISANCE. TABLE C.

Nature and number of inspections.	Notices served: Statutory.	Other.	Result.
Routine inspections by H.H. Inspectors 20	-	-	-

SECTION XIV - PUBLIC HEALTH (SHELLFISH) REGULATIONS 1934 and 1948

The Pegwell Bay (Shellfish) Regulations have been in operation since December 1925. These Regulations prohibit the sale of cockles taken from a prescribed area in Pegwell Bay until they have been subjected to sterilisation by steam under pressure for at least six minutes, the sterilisation must be carried out by the Local Authority or in a manner approved by the Medical Officer of Health.

SECTION XV - MEDICAL INSPECTION OF ALIENS

This section is applicable only to ports which are approved for the landing of aliens and applies, in this instance, to the International Hoverport, Pegwell Bay, Ramsgate.

The Hoverport commenced operations on 2nd April, 1969 and conveys passengers and cars from Ramsgate to Calais, and return. No merchandise is carried.

(i) Medical Inspections of Aliens

The following medical practitioners hold warranty of appointment under the Commonwealth Immigrants Act 1968 and the Aliens Order 1953:-

BRIANT, Dr. B.A.
WATSON, Dr. A.K.I.
VALENTINE, Dr.P.
LOVELESS, Dr. J.A.
YEARSLEY, Dr. J.K.N.
BISSELL, Dr. S.W.
HUTTON, Dr. S.W.R.
CRAWFORD, Dr. W.A.
DAVIS, Dr. P.A.H.
CRAWFORD, Dr. K.P.E.
THOMSON, Dr. D.A.
NEDEN, Dr. D.A.J.
STUART, Dr. G.W.
REYNOLDS, Dr. R.
BOUTHALL, Dr. M.H.
SEMPLE, Dr. W.J.
ADAM, Dr. E.J.
CHITTENDEN, Dr. J.R.
THOMPSON, Dr. E.A.
BOYD, Dr. S.A.
STOWE, Dr. J.

(ii) Nature and amount of Aliens Traffic

The following is a summary of the passenger traffic using the Hoverport during 1970:-

Total passengers:-	Inwards	237673
	Outwards	236,446

Number of arriving hovercraft carrying Aliens and Commonweath Immigrants:- 1,805.

Number of passengers subject to Control:-

	Total	No. medically examined	Not permitted to land or refused entry
Aliens	83,055	54	1
Commonwealth Immigrants	7,191	27	-

(iii) Accommodation for Medical Inspection

The accommodation provided is in accordance with that set out in Appendix 'A' of Memorandum Part 10 issued by the Ministry of Health, and consists of control office with waiting space, undressing facilities, examination and isolation rooms. It is situated within easy access of the arrival points.

SECTION XVI - MISCELLANEOUS

There are no arrangements in operation for the burial on shore of persons who have died on board ship from infectious disease. Should such an eventuality arise, all arrangements would be carriedout by the Local Authority under the personal supervision of the Medical Officer of Health.

V. C. Fuge

Medical Officer of Health
and Port Medical Officer.

Public Health Department,
Municipal Buildings,
RAMSGATE.

12th January, 1971.